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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 24 March 2004.
- 2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 11-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 11-13 and 16-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) 14 and 15 is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
 Paper No(s)/Mail Date 3/24/2004.
- 4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)
 Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 11-20 are pending.

Objection

2. Claims 14-15 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants also have to delete non-elected subject matter from said claims to overcome the objection.

Non-elected Invention

3. The claims are drawn to multiple inventions for reasons set forth in the restriction requirement. The claims are examined only to the extent that they read on the elected invention. Cancellation of the non-elected subject matter is recommended in response to this Office Action. It is required that applicants limit their invention to Group II (X, Z, R1, R2 and/or taken together form a 1,3-oxazine ring). This can be done by actually fusing the 1,3-oxazine ring (as shown on page 10) to the existing bicyclic ring to make it tricyclic. Note that X = N and Z = C for 1,3-oxazines. Review of the all definitions of R¹, R² and R³ in the claims are also required. For example, R¹ is not permitted since X = N.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

4. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claims 11-13 and 16-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention:

- a. In claim 11 (page 7), the letters "a" and "z" are overlapped in the term pyrazinyl group.
- b. In claim 13 (line 1), the phrase "the group comprising a pyridyl group and a pyrazolyl group" is an open-ended language. It is recommended that applicants delete "the group comprising" from the claim.
- c. In claim 13 (page 20), the word "and" in the chemical structure overlaps with the word "carbon".
- d. In claim 16 (page 41), the phrase " R_2 and R_3, or are together furthermore with Z to which they bind to form oxo (keto, or carbonyl) group" is not clear. There are 2 problems. (1) Since Z = C according the restriction requirement, oxo (=O) substituent is not permitted, since Z is a monovalent when the 1,3-oxazine is fused. Carbon only can

make 4 bonds. (2) The keto (=CO) and carbonyl groups (CO) as substituent are not the same as oxo (=O).

e. Regarding claim 18, the phrase "including" renders the claim indefinite because it is unclear whether the limitations following the phrase are part of the claimed invention. See MPEP § 2173.05(d).

f. In claim 18 (page 47), the phrase "as stated above]" is a typo. It should read as "as stated above".

g. In claim 18 (page 47), the phrase "formula = have" is not clear. What is formula =? Is this a typo?

Sequence Listing

5. Applicants' amendment filed 6/27/2003 fails to comply with the sequence requirements set forth in 37 CFR 1.821, which requires a statement that the content of the paper and computer readable forms of the sequence listing are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 1.821(b) or 1.825(d).

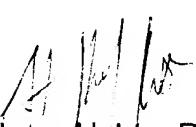
Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kahsay Habte, Ph. D. whose telephone number is (571) 272-0667. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (9.00AM- 5:30PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mukund Shah can be reached on (571) 272-0674. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-1235.


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